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may have the fellowship renewed annually for the total length of time described in paragraph (a) of this section.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1134, 1134c)

# § 650.34 What conditions must be met by fellows?

In order to continue to receive payments under a fellowship, a fellow shall—

- (a) Maintain satisfactory progress in the program for which the fellowship was awarded as determined by the institution of higher education;
- (b) Devote essentially full time to study or research in the field in which the fellowship was awarded, as determined by the institution of higher education;
- (c) Not engage in gainful employment during the period of the fellowship except on a part-time basis, for the institution of higher education at which the fellowship was awarded, in teaching, research, or similar activities approved by the Secretary; and
- (d) Begin study under the fellowship in the academic year specified in the fellowship award.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1134-1134d)

# § 650.35 May fellowship tenure be interrupted?

- (a) An institution of higher education may allow a fellow to interrupt study for a period not to exceed 12 months, but only if the interruption of study is—
- (1) For the purpose of work, travel, or independent study, if the independent study is away from the institution and supportive of the fellow's academic program; and
- (2) Approved by the institution of higher education.
- (b) A fellow may continue to receive payments during the period of interruption only if the fellow's interruption of study is for the purpose of travel or independent study that is supportive of the fellow's academic program.
- (c) A fellow may not receive payments during the period of interruption if the fellow's interruption of study is for the purpose of travel that is not supportive of the fellow's academic program, or work, whether supportive

of the fellow's academic program or not.

(d) The Secretary makes a pro rata institutional payment to the institution of higher education in which the fellow is enrolled during the period the fellow receives payments as described in paragraph (b) of this section.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1134)

# §650.36 May fellows make changes in institution or field of study?

After an award is made, a fellow may not make any change in the field of study or institution attended without the prior approval of the Secretary.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1134c)

# §650.37 What records and reports are required from fellows?

Each individual who is awarded a fellowship shall keep such records and submit such reports as are required by the Secretary.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1134c)

#### Subpart E—What Are the Administrative Responsibilities of the Institution?

#### § 650.40 What institutional agreements are needed?

Students enrolled in an otherwise eligible institution of higher education may receive fellowships only if the institution enters into an agreement with the Secretary to comply with the provisions of this part.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1134-1134d)

#### § 650.41 How are institutional payments to be administered?

- (a) With respect to the awards made for the academic year 1998–1999, the Secretary makes a payment of \$10,222 to the institution of higher education for each individual awarded a fellowship for pursuing a course of study at the institution. The Secretary adjusts the amount of the institutional payment annually thereafter in accordance with inflation as determined by the U.S. Department of Labor's Consumer Price Index for the previous calendar year.
- (b) If the institution of higher education charges and collects amounts